Subject: Illustrations of Ceylonese wire money for an upcoming monograph

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Mr. E. W. Ritchie
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Dear Mr. Ritchie:

I am looking for someone to make about 200 small drawings. My wife, Elizabeth Marvin Wood, suggested that you might be able to do it as you are not especially busy now. The proposition is this. I want to have made for illustrations in a book fine line drawings of characters and designs found stamped on pieces of silver wire. These would have to be copied from the coins themselves and more often than not would have to be done under a magnifying glass. They would have to be done fairly exactly and each drawing would measure only about one inch by one-quarter of an inch. The work would have to be done here at the Society during the day and could be done one to six days a week until done. The pay would be $5.00 a day. If you could do this or if you are interested, would you either call me up at Audubon 3-4141 or come and see me as soon as possible. I would be here all day Saturday and could explain more fully just what is wanted.

Very truly yours,

HM:JG

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